

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 129

By McCord

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Lynn Coker Brown upon his induction into the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those citizens who, through unwavering dedication and unflagging commitment to excellence, have distinguished themselves as leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Lynn Coker Brown, who has devoted more than forty years to the education and instruction of high school students and athletes; on March 17, 2007, Mr. Brown will be inducted into the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Hall of Fame, a most befitting recognition of his outstanding service to Tennessee high schools; and

WHEREAS, Lynn Brown, Assistant Principal of Maryville High School since 1984, began his extensive career in education in 1965 at Maryville Junior High School; as a football, basketball, and track coach, he immediately posted some incredible records including a 34-7-2 coaching record in football; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brown led Maryville's ninth grade basketball team to a championship season in the first year and he coached the 1970 Maryville High School state championship team; and

WHEREAS, during Mr. Brown's twelve-year tenure as Maryville High School's Offensive Coordinator, his teams qualified for state playoffs in nine out of twelve seasons at a time when only one team was taken from each region; his teams captured two state titles and two runner-up titles; and

WHEREAS, Coach Brown, whose football coaching career culminated in an astounding 118-25-1 record, has received numerous coaching honors, including his induction into the Blount County Sports Hall of Fame in 2005; and

WHEREAS, the significance of Mr. Brown's impact cannot be adequately measured by winning seasons alone; his positive impact on the lives of his students, athletes, fellow teachers, and administrators resounds in the community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brown has received many accolades as a leader in his profession; he was named the Assistant Principal of the Year in Tennessee by the McDonald's National Assistant Principal Recognition Program in 1992 and was honored at a leadership forum in Oak Brook, Illinois, and at the NASSP convention in Las Vegas, Nevada; and

WHEREAS, his unwavering service to the TSSAA is extensive: He is a member of the Board of Control representing the high schools in the second district; he represents the TSSAA Board on the Hall of Championships Committee and has raised \$331,000 toward the goal of constructing a building to honor the "Hall of Champions;" and he represents the TSSAA on the Advisory Committee on Special School Evaluations, Eligibility, and Enrollment; and

WHEREAS, throughout his illustrious career, Lynn Brown has been supported by his loving wife, Jeanette Bridges Brown, and his two children, Larry and Janna; he also enjoys the company of his grandchildren, Tyler and Lily Grace; and

WHEREAS, for the above and many other accomplishments, his impeccable moral standards, and impressive work ethic, Mr. Brown has been selected for induction into the TSSAA Hall of Fame, a fitting recognition; and

WHEREAS, Lynn Brown is a man of true character and commitment, and he exemplifies the type of selfless community servant and civic leader whom fellow Tennesseans admire for their tireless efforts to mentor the State's youth, guiding them with solid principles and high standards, whether on the athletic fields or in the classroom; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we join the family and friends of Lynn Coker Brown in congratulating him upon his induction into the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Hall of Fame,

honor, and commend Mr. Brown for his substantial legacy as a teacher, coach, and administrator, and offer our deep gratitude for the dedication which he has shown our State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.